Yardwork

Questions for an AI implementation partner

Questions for comparing proposals. Record answers as concrete deliverables and contract terms.

- [ ] **Which similar workflows have you implemented?**
  Ask for a specific project and reference; discuss a change made after launch.
- [ ] **Which connections and actions are included?**
  Name the tools, data flow, permissions, reviewed actions and failure path.
- [ ] **What shows that the implementation is ready?**
  Agree acceptance tests with expected outputs, failure cases and a named reviewer.
- [ ] **What do we receive to operate it or hand it over?**
  Name documentation, configuration, account access, training and export as deliverables.
- [ ] **How are the timeline and price scoped?**
  Identify dependencies, access approvals, team review, assumptions, exclusions and spending limit.
- [ ] **What does support after launch cover?**
  Define included changes, response terms and the owner of a broken connection.
- [ ] **How can another operator take over?**
  Document ownership, licences, accounts, export format and handover work before signing.

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